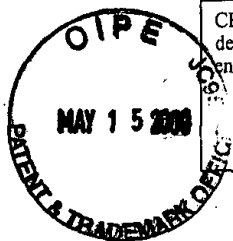


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Title: CATHODE-RAY TUBE IMPLOSION-PROOF ADHESIVE MESH TAPE
AND USES THEREFOR



CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on May 19, 2000.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(b))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)):

An English explanation of the relevance of JP 63-24291-B, which can be found on page 2, lines 13-19, of the specification, is as follows: "As an implosion-proof adhesive, the present applicant (Teraoka Seisakusho K.K.) has already developed and disclosed an adhesive tape prepared by applying a hot-melt adhesive onto one side of a base with a prescribed strength, and applying a pressure-sensitive adhesive onto the other side".

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An English explanation of the relevance of JP 1-43791-B, which can be found on page 2, lines 19-24, of the specification, is as follows: "The applicant has also disclosed an adhesive tape prepared by filling inorganic granules of a prescribed particle size into a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer provided on both sides of a tape matrix made of a hot-melt resin".

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,

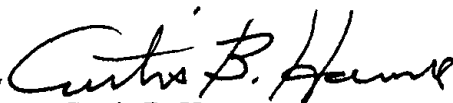
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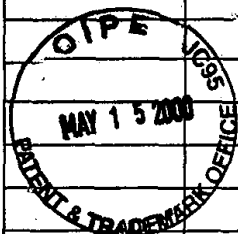
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